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TIME TABLE:

Between BOWIE and GERONIMO.
Taking effect Monday, Jan. 6th at 1:00 p. m.

No. 1.	No. 2.
8:30 a. m. Lv. Geronimo 1.00 p. m.	8:30 a. m. Lv. Fort Thomas 1.00 p. m.
9:00 a. m. Lv. Fort Thomas 1.30 p. m.	9:00 a. m. Lv. Geronimo 1.30 p. m.
9:30 a. m. Lv. Mathews 1.42 p. m.	9:30 a. m. Lv. Pima 1.42 p. m.
10:00 a. m. Lv. Pima 1.50 p. m.	10:00 a. m. Lv. Central 1.50 p. m.
10:30 a. m. Lv. Thatcher 1.50 p. m.	10:30 a. m. Lv. Safford 1.50 p. m.
10:40 a. m. Lv. Safford 1.50 p. m.	10:40 a. m. Lv. Solomon 1.50 p. m.
11:00 a. m. Lv. Solomon 1.50 p. m.	11:00 a. m. Lv. Ball Ranch 1.50 p. m.
11:20 a. m. Lv. Big Wind Mill 1.50 p. m.	11:20 a. m. Lv. Bailey's Wells 1.50 p. m.
11:40 a. m. Lv. Bailey's Wells 1.50 p. m.	11:40 a. m. Lv. Bowie 1.50 p. m.

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Trains No. 1 and 2 run daily except Sunday,
connecting with Southern Pacific R. R. at Bowie
for all points east and west, and with Layton's
stage line at Fort Thomas for San Carlos, Globe
City and Tomba Basin.
† Stations have no agents.
‡ Telegraph Stations.
The Company reserves the right to vary this
schedule as circumstances may require.
WM. GARLAND, President.

Arizona and N. M. Railway.

TIME TABLE:

Going North	No. 11	Time table	Going South	No. 12
12:00 p. m.	1	12:00 p. m.	12:00 p. m.	2
1:00 p. m.	2	1:00 p. m.	1:00 p. m.	3
2:00 p. m.	3	2:00 p. m.	2:00 p. m.	4
3:00 p. m.	4	3:00 p. m.	3:00 p. m.	5
4:00 p. m.	5	4:00 p. m.	4:00 p. m.	6
5:00 p. m.	6	5:00 p. m.	5:00 p. m.	7
6:00 p. m.	7	6:00 p. m.	6:00 p. m.	8
7:00 p. m.	8	7:00 p. m.	7:00 p. m.	9
8:00 p. m.	9	8:00 p. m.	8:00 p. m.	10
9:00 p. m.	10	9:00 p. m.	9:00 p. m.	11
10:00 p. m.	11	10:00 p. m.	10:00 p. m.	12

Trains run daily except Sunday.
* Stop on Signal. † Leave. ‡ Arrive.

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LOCAL NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Items of Local Interest Gathered by
Reporters on their Rounds.

DOINGS IN AND ABOUT TOWN

Breezy Little Notes of General Interest
Picked up Here and There.

C. B. Young was in Safford last
Monday from Fort Thomas.

Bluestone at the Safford Drug
Store. 10-18-1f.

Harry Wightman of Pima was a
visitor in Safford last Monday.

Violin and Guitar strings at the
Safford Drug Store. 10-18-1f.

Jos. Reeves, of Solomonville,
was a visitor in town on Monday
last.

Cash paid for Hay, Corn and
Eggs at Fonda's. 1-3-1f.

Dr. Porter reports a case of
diphtheria in the family of Bishop
Matthews, of Matthewsville.

Paints, oils and brushes at the
Safford Drug Store. 10-18-1f.

Since our last issue Mr. C. K.
Jennings has been very low, but
was much better yesterday.

Highest proof alcohol always in
stock at Wanslee & Ijams' saloon.
1-10-1f.

A good Winchester rifle to trade
for harness. Call at GUARDIAN
office and inspect gun. 1-31-1f.

At the masquerade ball one week
from to-night Mrs. Robinson will
give an oyster supper in Robinson's
hall.

The little daughter of Mr. and
Mrs. Will Parks has been quite ill
at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jas.
Pursley, but is now much better.

A full line of clothing, good val-
ue at John Blake & Cos. 12-6-1f.

Mrs. D. W. Wickersham who
has been very ill at the Snedden
hotel for the past two weeks is re-
ported as being much better.

If you want pure whiskies go to
Wanslee & Ijams Safford. 1-10-1f.

Barney Palm has four hogs now
ready to kill, one year old, and he
says they will each dress more than
a pound for every day they are
old.

For mild and fancy mixed drinks
go to Wanslee & Ijams' saloon.
1-10-1f.

Mrs. Smith desires us to an-
nounce that she will serve a first class
supper at her residence, to those who
attend the masquerade ball at
Robinson's hall next Friday night.

Blank promissory notes for sale
at the GUARDIAN office.

It is reported that the school
house squabble at Matthewsville
was settled last Sunday. Every-
body shook hands and agreed to
bury the hatchet and begin anew.

Finest favoring extracts at the
Safford Drug Store. 10-18-1f.

Floods are tearing things up in
Texas. The Brazos and Columbia
rivers, where they come together,
form a stream 12 miles wide, and
the water is sweeping everything
before it.

Don't forget the play in Nuttal's
hall to-morrow night. "Foiled"
is one of the best plays ever pre-
sented in the valley. It has been
presented in Layton and Safford
and was greatly appreciated by all
who witnessed it.

Do your own painting. Paint
ready for use at the Safford Drug
Store. 10-18-1f.

Last Wednesday night E. Ran-
dolph, division Superintendent of
the Yuma and Tucson division of
the Southern Pacific and Col. Reay
passed through Safford in their
special car, going to the terminus
of the G. V. G. & N.

Western Washers at the novelty
cheaper than they have ever been
sold in the valley before. 1-31-1f.

Last Friday the Relief Societies
in the different wards celebrated
the 75th anniversary of Eliza R.
Snow, the president of the society.
In each settlement public gather-
ings were held and dinners served
and in the evening dancing parties
were given.

Just received a consignment of
Acme Harrows, also all steel scrap-
ers of I. E. Solomons. 1-10-1f.

Frank Lynch, of Fort Thomas,
made us a pleasant call last Sat-
urday, and left an advertisement for
the butcher firm of Lynch & Haas,
at Fort Thomas and Geronimo.
Aside from the butcher business
Mr. Lynch runs a splendid hack
between Fort Thomas and Geroni-
mo. Those wishing a conveyance
cannot do better than to call on
Mr. Lynch.

Farmers do not overlook the
fact that you can buy a John Deere
10 inch plow with an extra share
for \$12.50 of I. E. Solomon, Solo-
monville Arizona. 1-10-1f.

STRYCHNINE THE GOPHERS.

This is Said to be the Most Effective
Method of Ridding Fields of this
Animal.

The following method of exter-
minating gophers, by F. C. Sears,
of the State Agricultural College,
at Manhattan, and published in
the *Stockman*, will prove of great
interest to our farmers, as this ani-
mal is very troublesome in this
valley:

"I am tempted to give my experi-
ence in ridding alfalfa fields of go-
phers, in the hope that it may
help some of your readers who are
troubled that way, as any one who
raises alfalfa is almost sure to be.
I think, as several of your cor-
respondents have said, that the
quickest and surest way is by put-
ting poisoned Irish or sweet pota-
toes (preferably the latter) in the
runs of the gophers, but the prin-
cipal difficulty, with novices, at
least, is to find the runs. This,
however, becomes a comparatively
easy matter when one is acquaint-
ed with the habits of the animal.

As a rule, the run-ways are from
six inches to a foot below the sur-
face and large enough to admit a
man's arm. The piles of dirt on
the surface of the field are usually
over the mouth of a side burrow
or offset from the main run, and
as a rule these side chambers are
filled with loose earth back to
where they join the main run-way.

It is generally possible, by noting
the relative positions of the piles,
to determine on which side of any
particular pile the run-way is lo-
cated. Now, dig down on that
side of the mound, and with a
sharpened stick, probe around in
the sides of the hole thus made till
the side chamber is discovered. This
is not hard to do, as the earth in
the run is more loose than that
around it and of a peculiar granu-
lar texture. Having ascertained
with the sharpened stick in which
direction the chamber runs, dig
down in that direction with the
spade stopping occasionally to locate
the chamber and make sure that it
continues in the original direction,
and usually the main run-way will
be found not more than a foot or
two from the mouth of the side
chamber. When you have found
the main run, clean out the loose
earth, place the bait inside the
run, and stop up the hole in the
side with a few large clods to pre-
vent the loose earth from falling
in and stopping the run. I have
seen this method tried on several
fields which were badly infested,
and it has always proved effective.

In preparing the bait, cut the
potatoes into pieces about an inch
square, make an incision in the
side of each piece and introduce a
little strychnine. Only the least
bit is necessary, and if you have
the crystallized form, pulverize it
before using, as an ordinary crys-
tal contains enough to kill a dozen
or more gophers. Don't buy some
patent gopher exterminator, which
probably contains one tenth strychni-
ne or some weaker poison and
nine-tenths powdered turpentine,
but get strychnine, and preferably
the crystallized form, as there is less
chance of adulteration.

A Pleasant Surprise.

Mr. N. W. Birdno, of Thatcher,
was 72 years of age last Sunday.
Early in the morning he left home
for Matthewsville and did not re-
turn until after dark. During his
absence the family conceived the
idea of giving him a surprise on
his return. Accordingly, a supper
was prepared, all the family and a
number of friends were invited,
who assembled at the Birdno resi-
dence just before night and im-
patiently awaited the return of the
old gentleman.

About 8 o'clock in the evening
Mr. Birdno returned and just as
he entered the door the Thatcher
band struck up a lively tune, and
to say he was surprised would be
to express it mildly. After the
usual question: "Were you sur-
prised?" the company sat down to
the table to partake of the good
things under which it was groan-
ing.

Supper being over, the evening,
until about 10:30 was spent in
singing, reciting, etc., when the
company dispersed, after wishing
Mr. Birdno many happy returns
of his birthday.

Broke Jail.

A man who was placed in the
new jail at Phoenix, to await the
action of the grand jury on a
charge of burglary succeeded in
making his escape a few nights
ago.

There are two rows of cells, one
on top of the other. The escaped
prisoner was confined in one of the
lower cells, and as there were no
prisoners in the upper ones, they
were not locked. The fellow
sawed his way through into the
upper cell, made a rope of the bed-
ding, climbed onto the top of the
upper cell, out through the venti-
lator to the roof, and slid to the
ground by means of the rope fast-
ened around one of the chimneys.

ARBOR DAY PROCLAMATION.

TERRITORY OF ARIZONA,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

To the people of Arizona, Greeting:
By virtue of the law of the Ter-
ritory of Arizona, the Friday fol-
lowing the first day of February in
each year has been designated as
Arbor Day, and as such is to be
observed as a legal holiday and
the governor is directed to make
proclamation of the same.

The county school superinten-
dents of each county are required
to prescribe a course of exercises
to be observed by the public
school. And it is made the duty
of the authorities in every public
school to assemble the pupils under
their charge and to have and to
hold such exercises as shall tend
to encourage the planting, protec-
tion and preservation of trees and
shrubs and the best methods to be
adopted to accomplish such results.

In this arid region of almost per-
petual growth, with a climate so
benign, the possibilities of the soil
so generous, where plant life under
the vitalizing power of irrigation,
develops so rapidly and comes to
such a high state of perfection, and
the desert can be transformed into
the vineyard, orchard and forest
growth, augmenting rainfall, re-
tarding evaporation and thus creat-
ing natural reservoirs, this day
and its purposes are most signifi-
cant.

Therefore I, Louis C. Hughes,
governor of the Territory of Ariz-
ona, pursuant to law do hereby
recommend that

ARIZONA'S ARBOR DAY, FRI-
DAY, FEBRUARY SIXTH, A. D.
1896,

be observed by the people of the
Territory as the annual festive of
the year, when parents and chil-
dren alike will participate in the
planting of trees, vines, shrubs and
flowers, in beautifying school
grounds with living monuments of
their school days. In the pro-
motion of forests and orchard
growth and cultivation; in the ad-
ornment of private and public
grounds, places and ways, and in
such other efforts and undertakings
as shall be in harmony with the
character of the day.

"He who plants a tree,
He plants love,
Tents of coolness spreading out
above.
Wayfarers he may not live to
see.

Gifts which grow are best;
Hands that bless are blest;
Plant, life does the rest.
Heaven and earth help him who
plants a tree,
And his work its own reward
shall be."

Done at Phoenix, the capital, this
28th day of January, A. D. 1896.
LOUIS C. HUGHES,
Governor.

Attest: CHAS. M. BRUCE, Secretary.

Pima Happenings.

Dr. Wightman was called to
Thomas Wednesday, to see a child
of Jake Sollars, who is suffering
with diphtheria.

A number of cases of diphtheria
are reported at Central.

The railroad company is going
to receive the wood to-day that
is stacked up beside the track.

Don't forget that "Foiled" will
be played in Nuttal's hall to-mor-
row night.

Perhaps a few people who re-
member the range of mountains
west of Payson, Utah, will be sur-
prised to hear that it is designed
to be one of the greatest gold fields
in the west, as some very rich
mines have been located recently
and is causing quite a stir among
the mining men of Utah.

Mr. and Mrs. John Nuttal lost
their baby boy Monday morning
with diphtheria. The funeral took
place the same day.

Democratic Campaign in Illinois.

A dispatch dated at Chicago,
Feb. 3d, says that Theodore Nel-
son, Secretary of the Democratic
State Committee, has issued a call
for the meeting of the executive
committee on Monday. This call
practically inaugurates the Demo-
cratic campaign in Illinois. The
meeting will be a conference of the
leaders of the Democracy in the
State, and the Executive Commit-
tee will decide upon the date for
the full State Committee meeting,
and the date of the convention will
be discussed.

Charles McKechnie, a scenic ar-
tist known throughout the Pacific
coast country, has been employed
to paint the scenery in Robinson's
hall at Thatcher. His panel work
done in this city proves him to be
an artist with a studio training.

Rev. F. W. Downs will deliver a
discourse Sunday evening on
"How to Prove whether the Bible
is True or Not. All are invited to
attend.

CHOIR LEADER SURPRISED.

E. M. Curtis Gets Mad and then Glad
Again.

E. M. Curtis has been the leader
of the Thatcher choir for about
two years and he now has one of
the best trained body of singers
in Arizona, of which he is justly
proud. He had arranged to start
for Utah next Monday morning
and requested that the choir come
together last Wednesday night
for practice and for the male mem-
bers to contribute a small amount
with which he would buy music
books while away.

When practice time arrived only
about six out of the whole mem-
bership was on hand. This riled
Mr. Curtis, as he thought they did
not want to contribute anything to
the purchase of books. Then there
was no fire and part of the lamps
had disappeared, and those present
seemed to take no interest in the
singing, and the leader had work-
ed himself up to the right point to
be surprised.

During the day tables had been
set in the south room, and during
the time Mr. Curtis was getting
mad at his choir, the promoters of
the affair were busy carrying a
splendid hot supper up a ladder to
the front room, and assisting those
invited, up also.

Those in the north room had
practiced three songs and were
just about to start the fourth, when
suddenly, the lights in the south
room were turned up, the Thatch-
er band struck up a tune and the
large folding doors thrown open,
which revealed a sumptuous repast
spread upon the tables and about
60 guests grouped around them.

The irate choir leader was
knocked out. He had nothing to
say. He was asked to make a
speech but it was short. The
whole company did justice to the
good things spread before them,
and then spent the balance of the
evening in carrying out a nicely
arranged program. The contribu-
tion was also ready for the music
books and now Mr. Curtis is
happy.

At the Club.

At the meeting of the Improve-
ment club Wednesday night it was
arranged to spend Arbor Day in
planting trees and also to give an
entertainment at night. Those
who assist in the tree planting
will be admitted free, while those
who do not will be charged 10 cts.
admission.

The subject of holding a county
fair in Safford next September,
under the auspices of the club was
also brought up. This is some-
thing that should be done. A
county fair properly managed
would prove a great factor in ad-
vertising our wonderful resources.
The club seems to be in earnest
over the proposition, and if they
take hold of it, it is sure to go.

We will have more to say on
this subject from time to time as
the scheme develops.

Free Pills.

Send your address to H. E.
Bucklen & Co., Chicago, and get a
free sample box of Dr. King's
New Life Pills. A trial will con-
vince you of their merits. These
pills are easy in action and are
particularly effective in the cure of
Constipation and Sick Headache.
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they have been proved invaluable.
They are guaranteed to be per-
fectly free from every deleterious
substance and to be purely vege-
table. They do not weaken by
their action but, by giving tone to
stomach and bowels, greatly in-
vigorate the system. Regular size
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ped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and
all skin Eruptions, and positively
cures Piles, or no pay required.
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satisfaction or money refunded.
Price 25 cents per box. For sale
by all Druggists and Medical
dealers.

Those who have an eye for the
beautiful should call at the 16 to 1
Saloon and see the oil panel paint-
ing of Californian scenery executed
by an artist who has visited all the
leading places of national renown;
and while there don't forget to
take a drink of 5 year old Mc-
Alister, which drives cold care
away; or if you wish to patronize
home industry and get another
pure article try the "Valley Tan."
1-7-1f.

C. W. Smithson, of Eden, was in
the city yesterday. Mr. Smithson
has great faith in the future of
Eden. He says quite a number of
new comers have located there this
year, and that large crops are be-
ing planted.

TOOK A SUNDAY HUNT.

And Came Back Cold, Hungry and Wet.

Last Sunday morning Messrs.
W. B. Fonda, Wilbert Ijams and
Cyrus Robinson, hitched up Squire
Fonda's high stepping grays and
started out, with bountiful spirits
on a quail hunt. They went
over the river, and when within
half a mile of Wm. Waddall's farm,
Messrs. Ijams and Fonda took to
the woods in quest of game, in-
structing Mr. Robinson to drive on
to Waddall's.

Everything went well with Mr.
Robinson until he came to the
bridge over the Oregon canal,
which canal, by-the-way, is about
six feet deep, containing nearly
four feet of very cold water. On
arriving at the bridge, the horses
refused to cross, but Mr. Robinson
thinking himself "boss" undertook
to compel them to do so. He
managed to get about half way
over, when one of the horses jumped
sideways, causing both to fall
into the canal, and of course the
buggy followed. Mr. Robinson
yelled "bloody murder," then look-
ed down the stream and saw the
outfit was all right, only traveling
toward the terminus of the canal
at a rapid gate. He finally stop-
ped them by whipping them over
the head.

By this time the other two hunt-
ers had arrived. They unhooked
the team and got one horse out,
but in trying to get the other out
they all fell in the canal. Mr.
Ijams managed to get hold of a
rope fastened to the horse in the
canal, but the animal was obstinate
and again started down stream,
with our hero floating along be-
hind. It now became a test of
endurance between man and horse,
but the man was finally victorious
and led the brute out in triumph.
They then made a derrick out of
black willows and fished the bug-
gy out, and after diving to the
bottom of the canal, several times,
got the outfit together again and
started for home, arriving in a
very deplorable condition.

This will probably serve as a
warning that it does not pay to
hunt on Sunday.

Fourteen miles from Globe in
the direction of Pinto, north, have
been found in a rugged gulch the
remains of an ancient mining camp,
with tumbled down rock houses
and with three arastra pits. Near
the place is the vein worked by
the old-time Spaniards. It is of
wonderful richness in gold, says
the *Herald*, but very narrow, the
face glittering with a profusion of
gold in every piece of the white
quartz dug out. The story is little
known and the region specified is
one of the most rugged in Arizona.
Up to fifteen years ago it swarmed
with Apaches and it is to be pre-
sumed that the old-time miners
were slaughtered where they
worked.

I am now giving each one of my
customers whose Cash purchases
amounts to \$10, A handsome
large Crayon, of themselves or any
member of their families, free, the
Crayon is guaranteed to be perfect.
Come and see sample of same now
on exhibition in my store, my
prices are as low as anywhere, and
my stock complete. I. E. Solo-
mon Solomonville A. T. 1-18-1f.

While prospecting below Striped
Canyon, on the Bill Williams Fork
a short time ago, an old man found
a small vein of rich gold ore from
which he took out several hundred
dollars in a few days. A number
of cowboys went into the neighbor-
hood and found several large, well
defined ledges, carrying consider-
able gold. John McClure and
Mickey Dolan have located a large
vein from which assays running
\$300 in gold and 200 ounces silver
have been obtained. Mark Jose-
phi has also secured a good claim.
There is a great deal of excitement
over the new camp and a rush into
that country is now in order.
Mohave County Miner.

J. N. Porter, of Ft. Thomas, in-
forms us that he has bought out
the general merchandise store of
Dan H. Ming at